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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 38
 2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 8
 3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 3
 - a. ☐ Unexecuted(original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)
- [Note Box 4 Below]
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which
a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
Sony Corporation
6. ☐ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application, Status still proper and desired
12. ☒ Certified copies of Japanese priority documents Nos. P11-363993 filed December 22, 1999 and P2000-270688 filed September 6, 2000

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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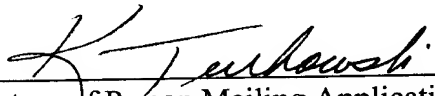
Drawings (8 sheets - Figs 1-8)

Executed Declaration

Executed Assignment, PTO Form 1595 and \$40 recording fee

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